

Radnor, PA – On Saturday, November 8th, Congressman Joe Sestak participated in the formal induction ceremony of Radnor High School's third Hall of Fame class at the Villanova Conference Center. The ceremony honored 10 new inductees to the Radnor Hall of Fame, who ranged from the Radnor High School class of 1920 to the class of 1984.

— “I have a wonderful job where I get to see centers of excellence, such as Radnor High School, which is a truly wonderful school that helped produce pillars of our community such as the fine individuals honored here today,” said Congressman Sestak. “Their intelligence, creativity, and enthusiasm have made them invaluable assets to our community. The faculty and administration of Radnor High School have produced a remarkable number of graduates who have been very successful in their chosen fields. I would like to thank the new inductees for their hard work and inspiration, as well as the new superintendent of Radnor Township School District, Dr. Linda Grobman, for welcoming me.”

One inductee in particular, George Aman ('48), who has served as a municipal-law attorney and commissioner in Radnor Township, still lives in the district. Congressman Sestak noted, “I was especially touched by the extent to which the inductees have given back to their community.” Sam Virgilio, who graduated in 1970, was a longtime coach and teacher at Radnor High School, and Edith Brook ('45), a longtime Radnor athlete, taught at Swedesborough High School and earned the New Jersey teacher of the year award. Alice Frey Emerson made history as the first woman president of Wheaton College in 1975.

The other inductees were Sally Bedell Smith ('66), an American historian and bestselling author; Steven Rogers ('75), the Gordon and Llura Gund Family Distinguished Professor of Entrepreneurship at Kellogg School of Management; Maya van Rossum ('84), environmentalist and the Delaware Riverkeeper; David Gockley ('61), San Francisco Opera's sixth general director; Bill Daly ('71), a distinguished film executive; and Rae Crowther ('20), a former athlete and inventor of Rae Crowther Football.

“These men and women serve as examples to current and future Radnor High School students and represent the endless possibilities and opportunities that lay before them,” said Congressman Sestak. “I applaud their success and am deeply grateful for the impact they have had on our community. I look forward to greeting members of the fourth Hall of Fame class sometime soon.”

Born and raised in Delaware County, former 3-star Admiral Joe Sestak served in the Navy for 31 years and now serves as the Representative from the 7th District of Pennsylvania. He led a series of operational commands at sea, including Commander of an aircraft carrier battle group of 30 U.S. and allied ships with over 15,000 sailors and 100 aircraft that conducted operations in Afghanistan and Iraq. After 9/11, Joe was the first Director of "Deep Blue," the Navy's anti-terrorism unit that established strategic and operations policies for the "Global War on

Terrorism." He served as President Clinton's Director for Defense Policy at the National Security Council in the White House, and holds a Ph.D. in Political Economy and Government from Harvard University. According to the office of the House Historian, Joe is the highest-ranking former military officer ever elected to the U.S. Congress.